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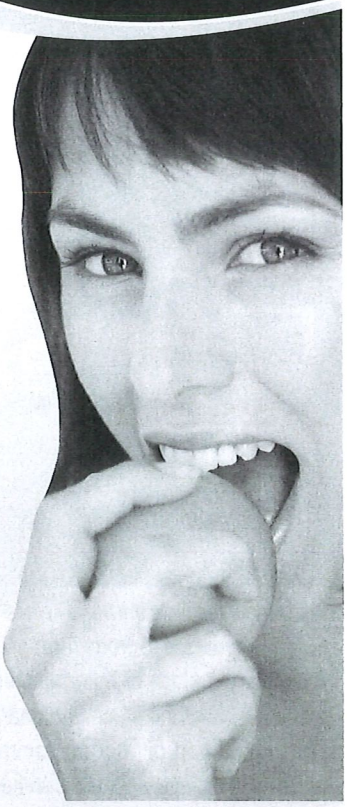

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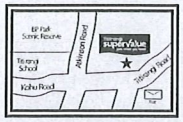

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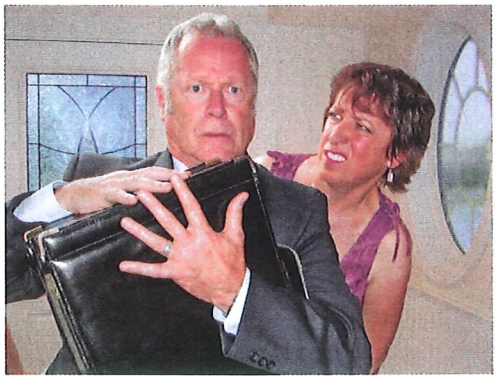
## Playhouse Theatre

by Sheryl Watson

**Currently there appears to be a real shortage of middle-aged male actors and this seems to be the case for most theatre groups. It certainly was the situation I came up against when trying to get a cast for the production of *Funny Money*, a comedy/farce by Ray Cooney being staged at Playhouse from March 25 - April 4. Gradually, however I was finally able to get the six men and two women that the play needed and rehearsals were able to proceed.**

Next time an audition notice comes up requiring middle-aged males, come on guys, help us out. There must be loads of you talented men out there just waiting for an opportunity to "star" or at least twinkle a bit!



*Jean Perkins (Svargo) cannot understand why her husband Henry (John Dawson) has come home in a state of shock in Funny Money.*

After its opening in 1994 the original production of *Funny Money* went on to enjoy a very successful two-year run in London's West End. In 2006 the play was adapted into a popular movie starring Chevy Chase.

The plot revolves around middle-aged and mild-mannered accountant, Henry Perkins (played by John Dawson) who is heading home to his birthday dinner to which he and his wife Jean (Svargo) have invited their closest friends Betty (Vikki Heijboer) and Vic Johnson (Brian Keegan). By mistake, Henry picks up the wrong briefcase on the tube train and discovers it contains what amounts to £735,000 in used £50 notes. Henry deduces that the money is from some criminal transaction and from a moral point of view has no conscience about seizing the opportunity to immediately hurry off to Barcelona with his wife and the money knowing that whoever has his briefcase will quickly come looking for him. Assumed identities, innuendo and merry mix-ups will provide audiences with a load of laughs. Several special effects involving a gun have had Playhouse set builders bringing their powers of ingenuity to the stage set and add a lot of extra fun to the production.

With the recent doom and gloom we have all been experiencing nationally and internationally, a good laugh could be just what the doctor ordered and you can get your dose by booking online at www.iticket. For group bookings (10+) phone Linda at 818 8791.

Playhouse is your community theatre, here to make good use of. There are also plenty of opportunities to get involved onstage or in backstage activities with our home theatre group, Playhouse Theatre Incorporated. Help will be required in all production departments for the upcoming Gilbert & Sullivan musical *The Mikado* and also for our children's show *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* being staged later in the year. Contact PTI president, Dorothy Chisholm at 817 8504 and register your interest.

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